

**Subsidence Documentation Study**  
**Sufco Mine**  
**May 30, 2003**  
**Summary**

The data contained in this binder is a compilation of subsidence features gathered in the field from the 19 of May to the 22 of May 2003. The features have been organized into five different sections representing panels in descending order starting with the most recent. At the beginning of each section is a summary sheet outlining important aspects of the panel with emphasis on subsidence features contained therein.

Documented feature numbers correspond numerically to points on the Arcview map contained in this binder. It is important to note that the numbers depicted in the photos DO NOT CORRESPOND to documented features, and were only used to keep photos organized for later reference.

**Subsidence Documentation Study  
Summary Sheet**

**Mine Name:** Sufco **Mine Number** C/041/002

**Panel:** 1 left pines east

**Feature #'s:** 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 9, 13

**Date of Mining:** August 2002 to Present

**Describe the mining that took place in this area (methods, multiple seams, )**  
Longwall mining

**Subsidence Survey (methods and dates, date of subsidence):**

To date, no subsidence surveys on this panel have been documented. Photos were taken prior to mining in this region in order to compare to photos taken later after subsidence occurred.

**Describe the amount and type of subsidence reported in the Annual Report (provide reference to year)**

Annual report provides no current subsidence information on this panel.

**Depth of Overburden (both seams):**

Between 900 and 1100 feet.

**Does any subsidence feature on this panel require mitigation? If so describe.**

Features 2, 4, and 7 should be watched and monitored at a later date to ensure that healing is underway and show no signs of worsening to the point of becoming a hazard.

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**Subsidence Documentation Study  
Data Sheet**

Mine Name: Sufco Date: 19 May 2003

Panel: 1 left pines east Feature # 2

Is the feature shown on survey map? no

Subsidence Feature (circle one) - Crack Sinkhole Trough Escarpment Spalling

Elevation: 8380 feet Slope: ~50 degrees

Type of Ground (circle one) - Rock Soil

— Vegetative Ground Cover (circle all that apply) - Grass Forbes (meadow, sparse cover), Shrubs tall low medium, Trees (deciduous evergreen)

**GPS**

Coordinates: N4317501m  
E471108m

Dimensions (in feet): 54 feet long  
10 inches wide in places  
more than 4 feet deep in places

Potential Hazards? Crack is large & is wide enough to easily step into in places.

Other Comments (seeps, stream channel, archeological, eagle nest) and  
Recommendations (needs work, healing, leave alone watch?):

Seems to be healing in places but may need mitigation in the future.



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Mine Name: Sufco Date: 19 May 2003

Panel: 1 left pines east Feature # 3

Is the feature shown on survey map? no

Subsidence Feature (circle one) - Cracks Sinkhole Trough Escarpment Spalling

Elevation: 8375 feet Slope: <sup>% grade</sup> ~50 degrees

Type of Ground (circle one) - Rock Soil

Vegetative Ground Cover (circle all that apply) - Grass Forbes (meadow, sparse cover), Shrubs tall low medium, Trees (deciduous, evergreen)

**GPS**

Coordinates: N4317597m  
E470960m

**Dimensions (in feet): Cracks form in parallel and then are displaced by as much as 4 feet of offset in a step-like formation. This stepping pattern covers a large swath of ground approximately 300 feet long by 250 feet wide.**

**Potential Hazards? Not apparent.**

**Other Comments** (seeps, stream channel, archeological, eagle nest) **and**  
**Recommendations** (needs work, healing, leave alone, watch?):

**Plants appear to be adapting well to the soil movement, & new grass is growing over displaced soil.**







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Mine Name: Sufco Date: 19 May 2003

Panel: 1 left pines east Feature # 4

Is the feature shown on survey map? no

Subsidence Feature (circle one) - Crack Sinkhole Trough Escarpment Spalling

Elevation: 8375 feet Slope: ~50 degrees <sup>% grade</sup>

Type of Ground (circle one) - Rock Soil

Vegetative Ground Cover (circle all that apply) - Grass Forbes (meadow, sparse cover), Shrubs tall low medium, Trees (deciduous, evergreen)

**GPS**

Coordinates: N4317597m  
E470960m

**Dimensions (in feet):** Crack is 240 feet long, and as wide as 9 inches in places.  
Immediate depth varies between 3 and 12 inches.

**Potential Hazards?** Not apparent.

**Other Comments** (seeps, stream channel, archeological, eagle nest) and  
**Recommendations** (needs work, healing, leave alone, watch?):

This crack is quite large, and should be watched. If it should grow any larger it may become a hazard. Some areas appear to have healed.







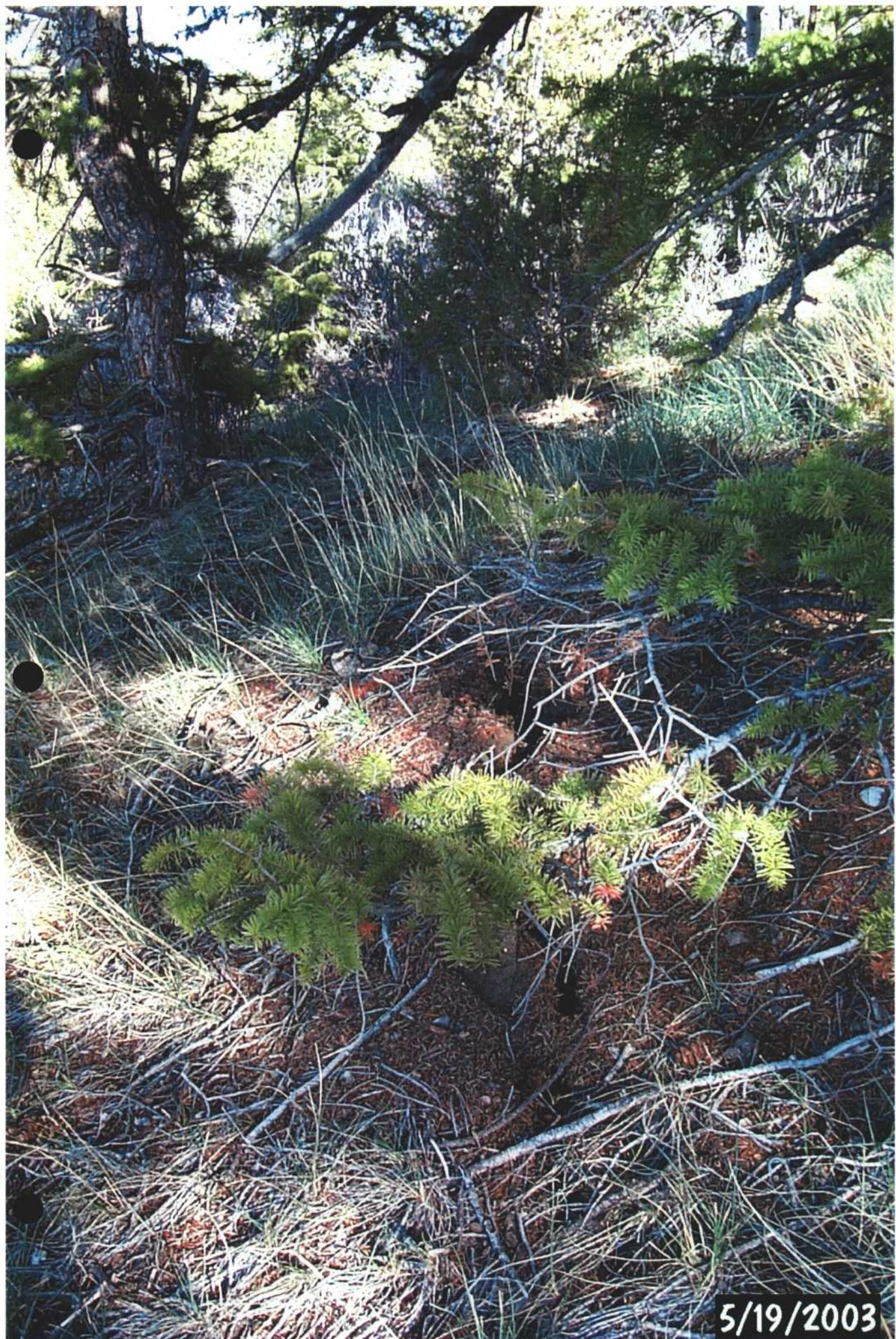


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Mine Name: Sufco Date: 20 May 2003

Panel: 1 left pines east Feature # 7

Is the feature shown on survey map? no

Subsidence Feature (circle one) - Crack Sinkhole Trough Escarpment Spalling

Elevation: 8428 feet Slope: ~10 degrees

Type of Ground (circle one) - Rock Soil

Vegetative Ground Cover (circle all that apply) - Grass Forbes (meadow, sparse cover), Shrubs (tall, low, medium), Trees (deciduous, evergreen)

**GPS**

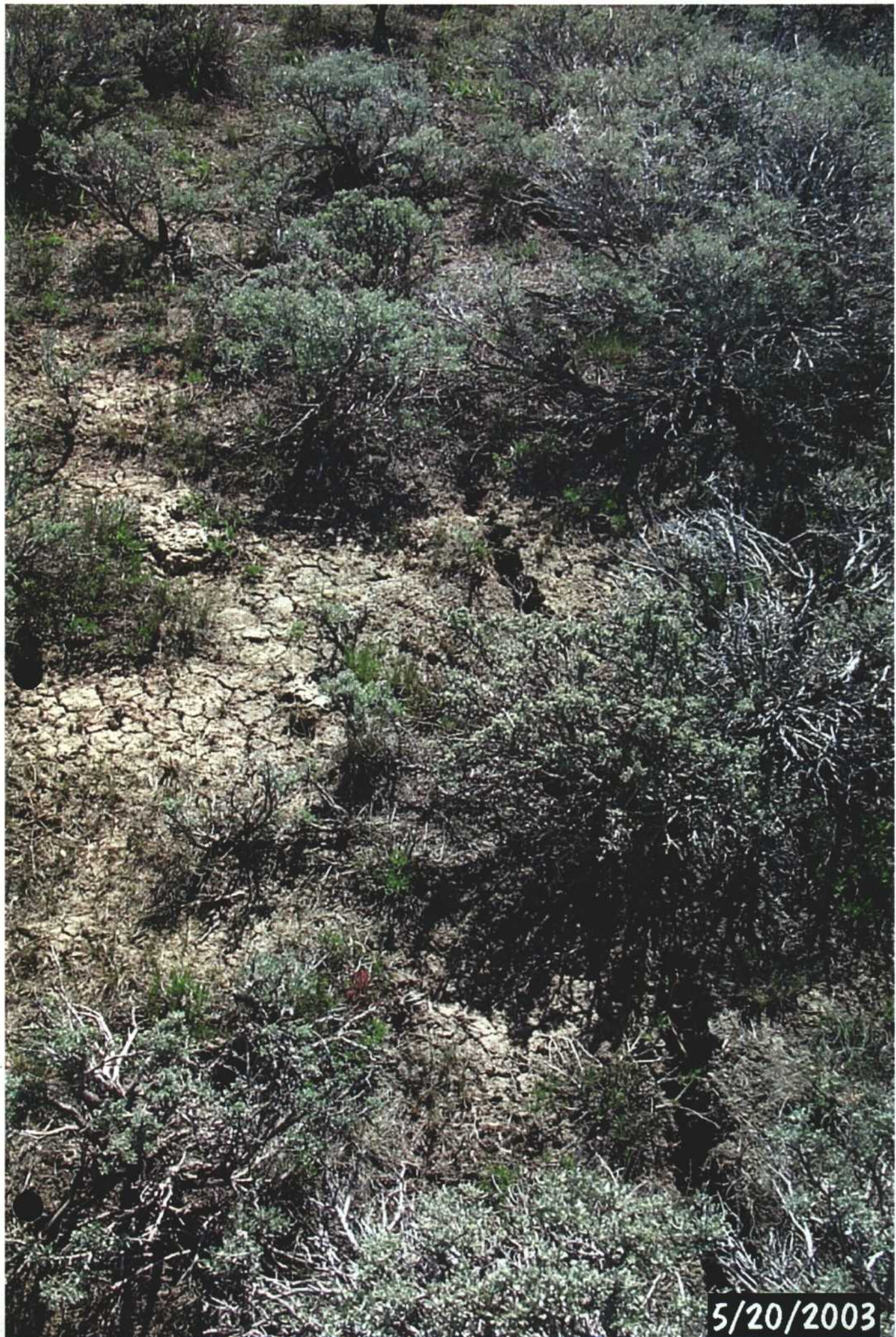
Coordinates: N4315928m  
E470927m

**Dimensions (in feet):** This crack is 116 feet long and up to 8 inches wide. Appears quite deep in places.

**Potential Hazards?** Since this crack is in the heart of grazing land, it may be a hazard to cattle.

**Other Comments** (seeps, stream channel, archeological, eagle nest) **and**  
**Recommendations** (needs work, healing, leave alone, watch?):





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**Mine Name:** Sufco **Date:** 20 May 2003

**Panel:** 1 left pines east **Feature #** 8

**Is the feature shown on survey map?** no

**Subsidence Feature** (circle one) - Crack Sinkhole Trough Escarpment Spalling

**Elevation:** 8373 feet **Slope:** ~10 degrees

**Type of Ground** (circle one) - Rock Soil

**Vegetative Ground Cover** (circle all that apply) - Grass/Forbes (meadow, sparse cover), Shrubs (tall, low, medium), Trees (deciduous, evergreen)

**GPS**

**Coordinates:** N4317077m  
E470722m

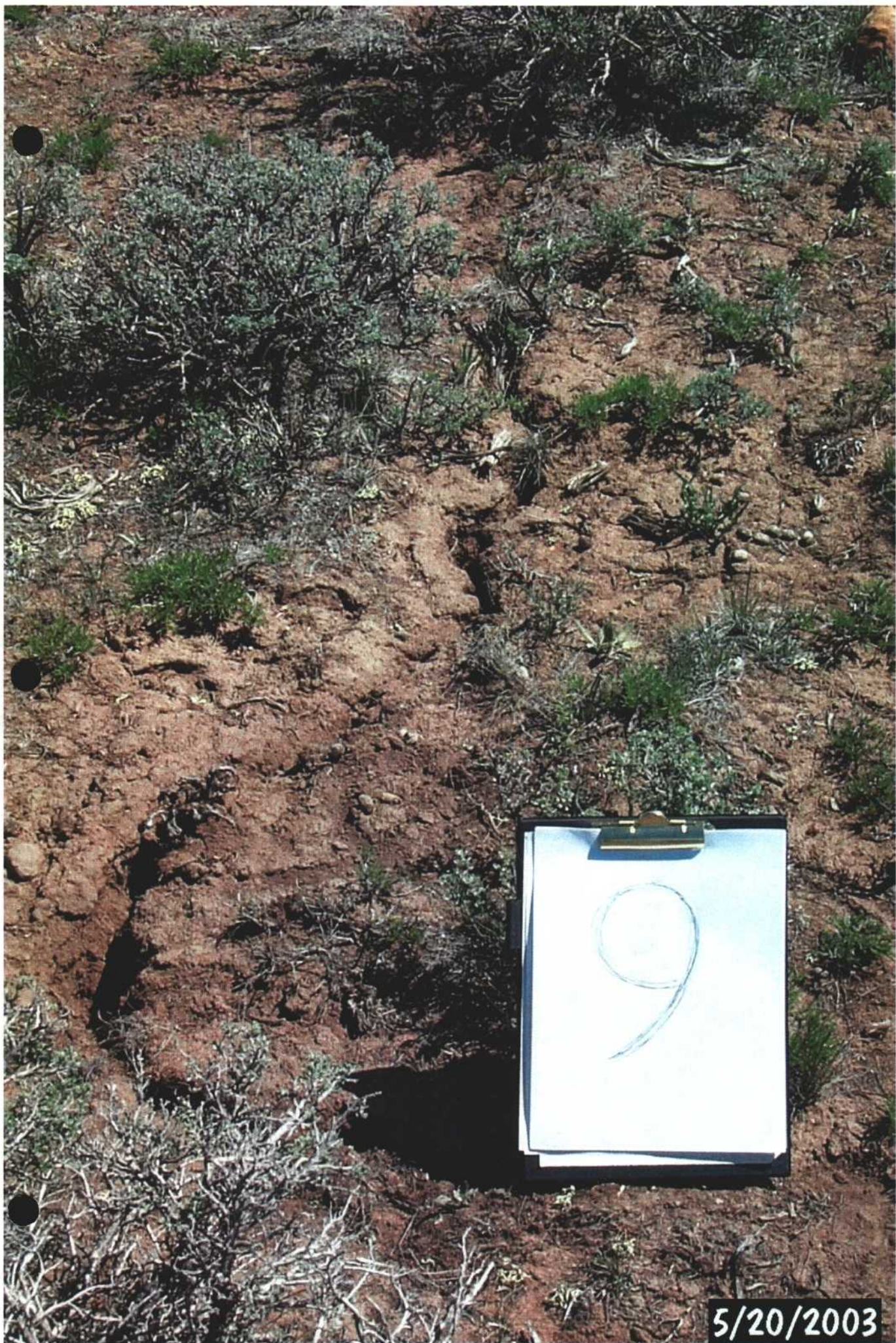
**Dimensions (in feet):** This crack is 225 feet long and up to 6 inches wide. Depth varies from a few inches to over a foot.

**Potential Hazards?** Not apparent.

**Other Comments** (seeps, stream channel, archeological, eagle nest) **and**  
**Recommendations** (needs work, healing leave alone, watch?):

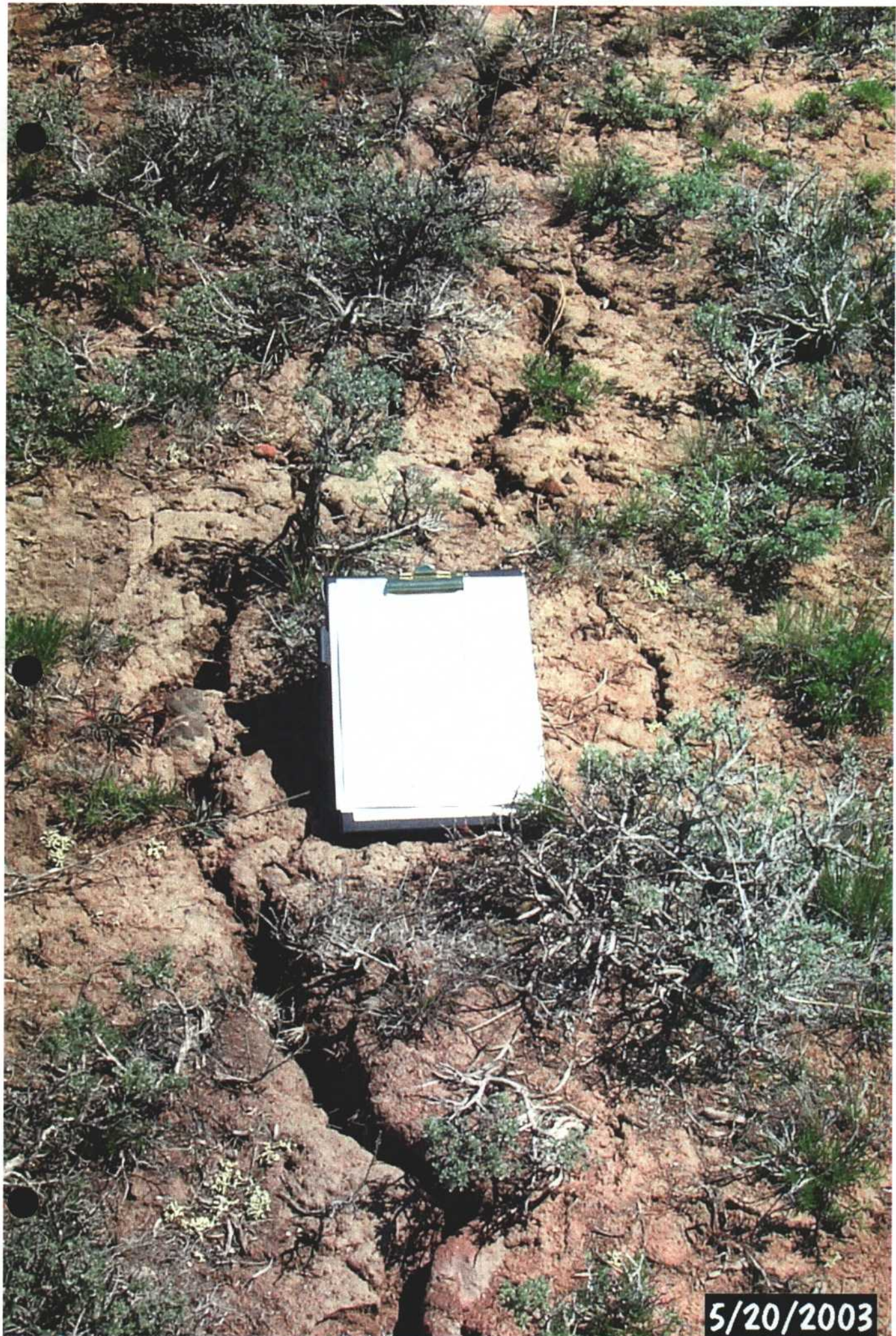
This crack is similar to feature #7 however appears to be healing along entire length.





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Mine Name: Sufco Date: 20 May 2003

Panel: 1 left pines east Feature # 9

Is the feature shown on survey map? no

Subsidence Feature (circle one) - Crack Sinkhole Trough Escarpment Spalling

Elevation: 8355 feet Slope: ~5 degrees

Type of Ground (circle one) - Rock Soil

Vegetative Ground Cover (circle all that apply) - Grass Forbes (meadow, sparse cover), Shrubs (tall, low, medium), Trees (deciduous, evergreen)

**GPS**

Coordinates: N4317111m  
E470712m

**Dimensions (in feet):** This crack is approximately 300 feet long. Depth and width varies between 2 and 8 inches.

**Potential Hazards?** Not apparent.

**Other Comments** (seeps, stream channel, archeological, eagle nest) **and**  
**Recommendations** (needs work, healing, leave alone, watch?):

This feature is actually a series of cracks running end-to-end, which gives the impression that this used to be one continuous crack at one point. The healing process has closed this crack off in many places.









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**Mine Name:** Sufco **Date:** 20 May 2003

**Panel:** 1 left pines east **Feature #** 13

**Is the feature shown on survey map?** no

**Subsidence Feature** (circle one) - Crack Sinkhole Heave Escarpment Spalling

**Elevation:** 8480 feet **Slope:** none

**Type of Ground** (circle one) - Rock Soil

**Vegetative Ground Cover** (circle all that apply) - Grass/Forbes (meadow, sparse cover), Shrubs (tall, low, medium), Trees (deciduous, evergreen)

**GPS**

**Coordinates:** N4314098m  
E470660m

**Dimensions (in feet):** This crack is 101 feet long, and up to 1 inch wide.

**Potential Hazards?** Not apparent.

**Other Comments** (seeps, stream channel, archeological, eagle nest) **and**  
**Recommendations** (needs work, healing, leave alone, watch?):





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**Mine Name:** Sufco **Mine Number** C/041/002

**Panel:** piners bleeder

**Feature #'s:** 5, 6, 10, 11, 12, 15, 16, 18, 19, 20, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31

**Date of Mining:** September 2001 to August 2002

**Describe the mining that took place in this area (methods, multiple seams, )**  
Gateroad development began in January 1999 in area 11; Longwall mining began in May 2000 through August 2001 (completing mining in both areas 10 and 11).

**Subsidence Survey (methods and dates, date of subsidence):**  
This panel demonstrates a vertical displacement of up to 5 feet. These measurements were recorded using current photogrammetric monitoring. This area is considered an "active" subsidence area as displacement may still be occurring.

**Describe the amount and type of subsidence reported in the Annual Report (provide reference to year)**

Surface depressions are documented along entire length of panel, as reported in the 2001 Annual Report. Tension cracks are not reported.

**Depth of Overburden (both seams):**

Between 900 and 1300 feet.

**Does any subsidence feature on this panel require mitigation? If so describe.**

Features 16 and 18 should be watched and monitored at a later date to ensure that healing is underway and show no signs of worsening to the point of becoming a hazard. Feature 18 in particular is quite large, and no doubt will take a long time to heal on its own. Mitigation should be considered if the crack widens further.

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Mine Name: Sufco Date: 19 May 2003

Panel: piners bleeder Feature # 5

Is the feature shown on survey map? no

Subsidence Feature (circle one) - Crack Sinkhole Trough Escarpment Spalling

Elevation: 8431 feet Slope: ~15 <sup>% grade</sup> degrees

Type of Ground (circle one) - Rock Soil

Vegetative Ground Cover (circle all that apply) - Grass Forbes (meadow, sparse cover), Shrubs (tall, low, medium), Trees (deciduous, evergreen)

**GPS**

Coordinates: N4317611m  
E470734m

**Dimensions (in feet):** This is a series of three cracks all averaging 20 feet in length.  
Average depth is about 3 inches, and average width is also 3 inches.

**Potential Hazards?** Not apparent.

**Other Comments** (seeps, stream channel, archeological, eagle nest) **and**  
**Recommendations** (needs work, healing, leave alone, watch?):

These cracks are healing, and are almost completely filled in.





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**Mine Name:** Sufco **Date:** 19 May 2003

**Panel:** pinos bleeder **Feature #** 6

**Is the feature shown on survey map?** no

**Subsidence Feature** (circle one) - Crack Sinkhole Trough Escarpment Spalling

**Elevation:** 8363 feet **Slope:** none

**Type of Ground** (circle one) - Rock Soil

**Vegetative Ground Cover** (circle all that apply) - Grass Forbes (meadow, sparse cover), Shrubs (tall, low medium), Trees (deciduous, evergreen)

**GPS**

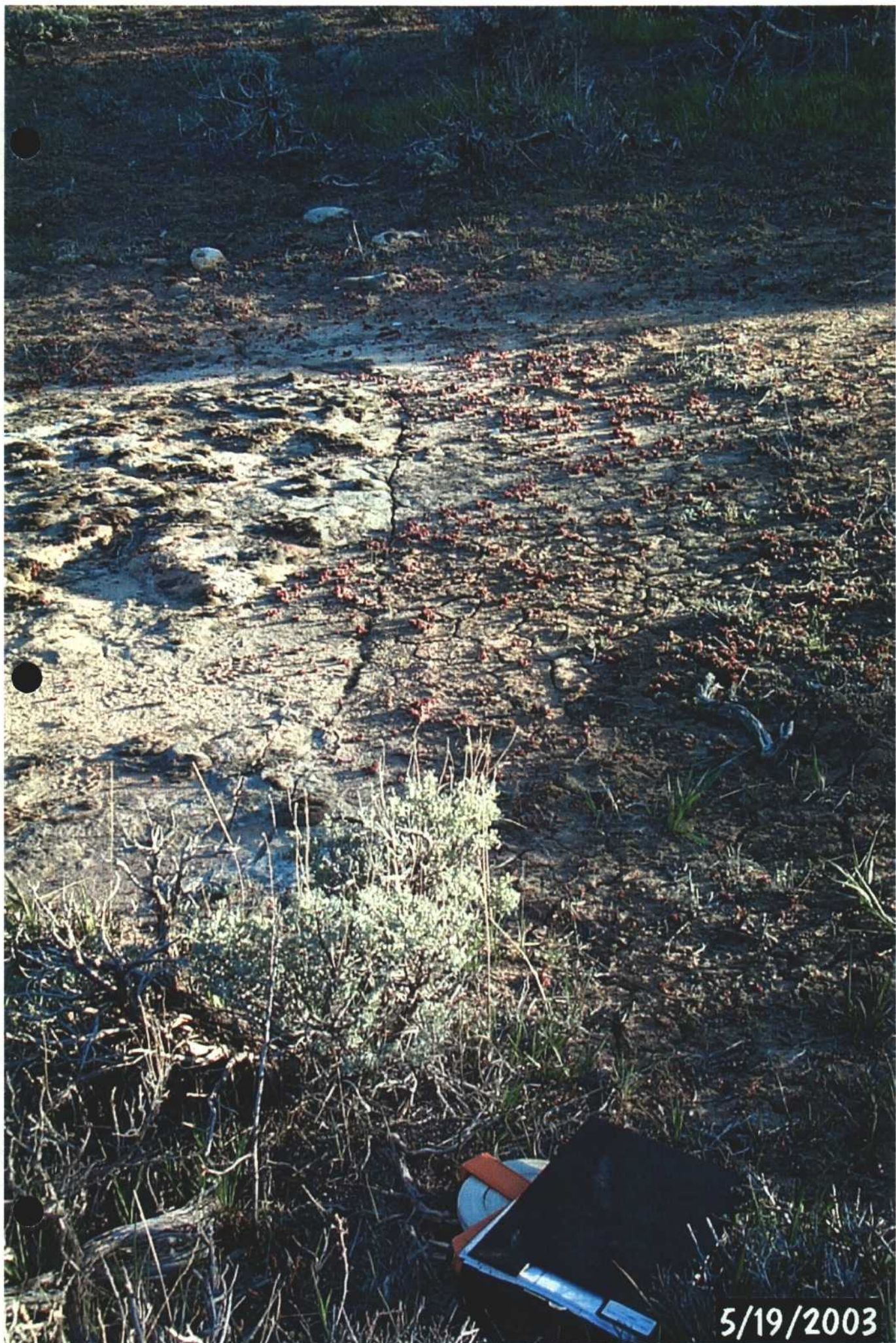
**Coordinates:** N4317682m  
E470492m

**Dimensions (in feet):** This crack is 18 feet long and approximately one inch wide.

**Potential Hazards?** Not apparent.

**Other Comments** (seeps, stream channel, archeological, eagle nest) **and**  
**Recommendations** (needs work, healing, leave alone watch?):





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Mine Name: Sufco Date: 20 May 2003

Panel: piners bleeder Feature # 10

Is the feature shown on survey map? no

Subsidence Feature (circle one) - Crack Sinkhole Heave Escarpment Spalling

Elevation: 8363 feet Slope: ~10 degrees

Type of Ground (circle one) - Rock Soil

Vegetative Ground Cover (circle all that apply) - Grass/Forbes (meadow, sparse cover), Shrubs (tall, low, medium), Trees (deciduous, evergreen)

**GPS**

Coordinates: N4315407m  
E470505m

Dimensions (in feet): This crack is approximately 15 feet long, and approximately 2 inches wide.

Potential Hazards? Not really. The remaining overhang could collapse at any time, possibly endangering whatever unfortunate treasure-seeker that happens to be inside at the time.

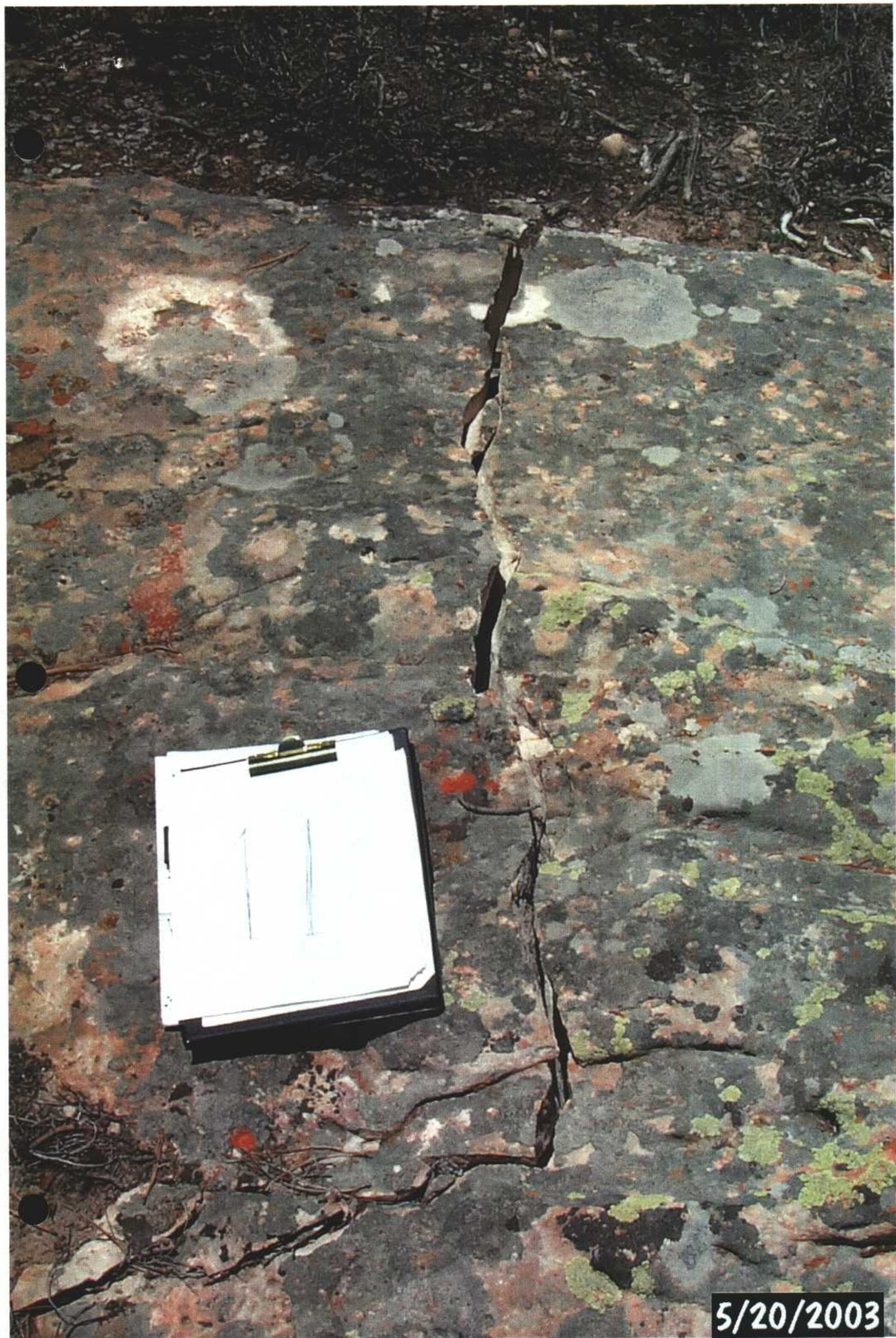
Other Comments (seeps, stream channel, archeological, eagle nest) and Recommendations (needs work, healing, leave alone watch?):  
These cracks occur directly above the Big Mac Indian Shelter.





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Mine Name: Sufco Date: 20 May 2003

Panel: piners bleeder Feature # 11

Is the feature shown on survey map? no

Subsidence Feature (circle one) - Crack Sinkhole Heave Escarpment Spalling

Elevation: 8389 feet Slope: none

Type of Ground (circle one) - Rock Soil

Vegetative Ground Cover (circle all that apply) - Grass/Forbes (meadow, sparse cover), Shrubs (tall, low, medium), Trees (deciduous, evergreen)

**GPS**

Coordinates: N4315320m  
E470669m

Dimensions (in feet): This crack is 20 feet long, and approximately 2 inches wide.

Potential Hazards? Not apparent.

Other Comments (seeps, stream channel, archeological, eagle nest) and

Recommendations (needs work, healing, leave alone, watch?):

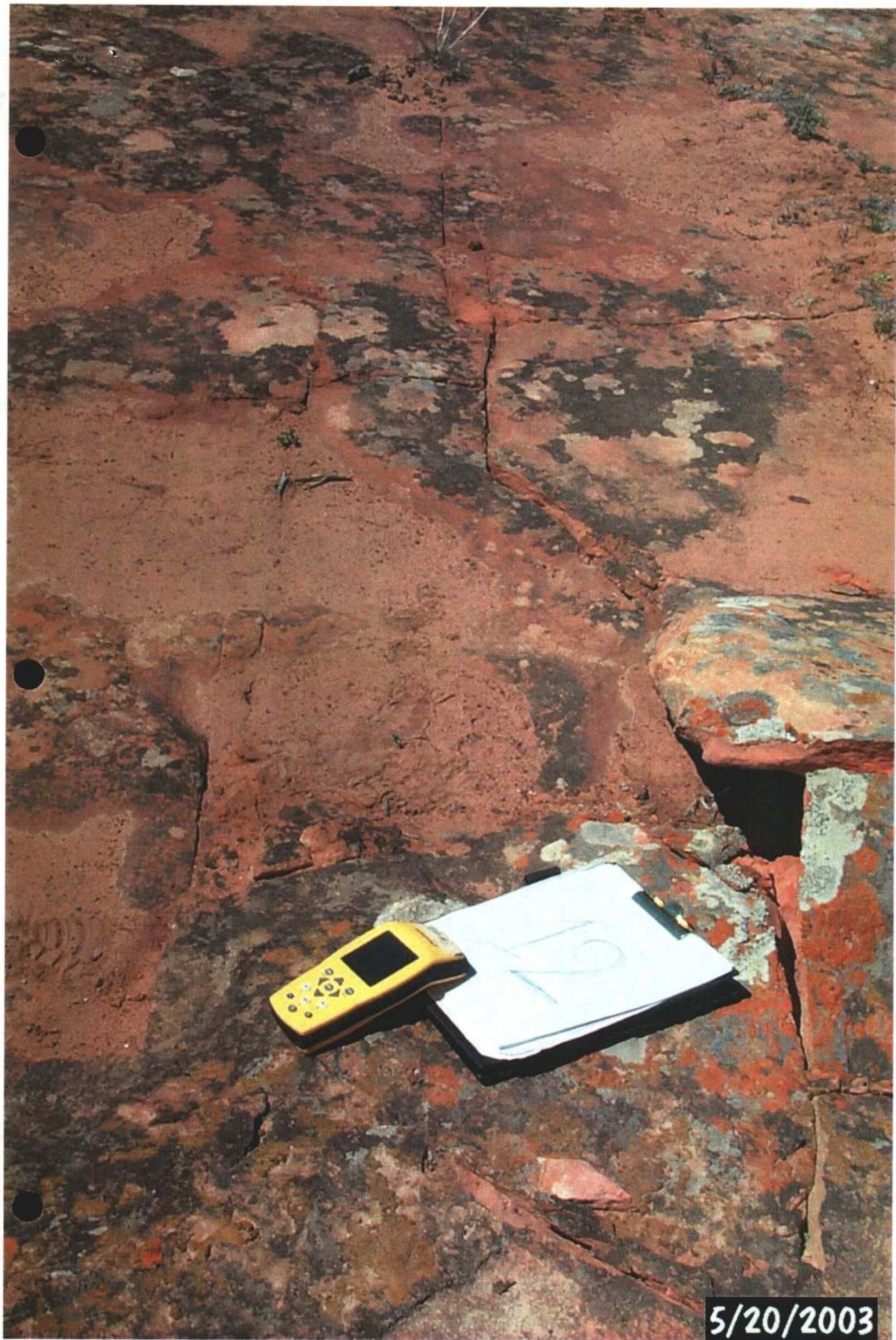
Cracks are filling in.





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Mine Name: Sufco Date: 20 May 2003

Panel: piners bleeder Feature # 12

Is the feature shown on survey map? no

Subsidence Feature (circle one) - Crack Sinkhole (Heave) Escarpment Spalling

Elevation: 8395 feet Slope: none

Type of Ground (circle one) - (Rock) (Soil)

Vegetative Ground Cover (circle all that apply) - (Grass) Forbes (meadow, sparse cover), Shrubs (tall, (low) medium), Trees (deciduous, evergreen)

**GPS**

Coordinates: N4315398m  
E470624m

Dimensions (in feet): This heave feature is 16 feet in diameter.

Potential Hazards? Not apparent.

Other Comments (seeps, stream channel, archeological, eagle nest) and  
Recommendations (needs work, (healing) (leave alone) watch?):

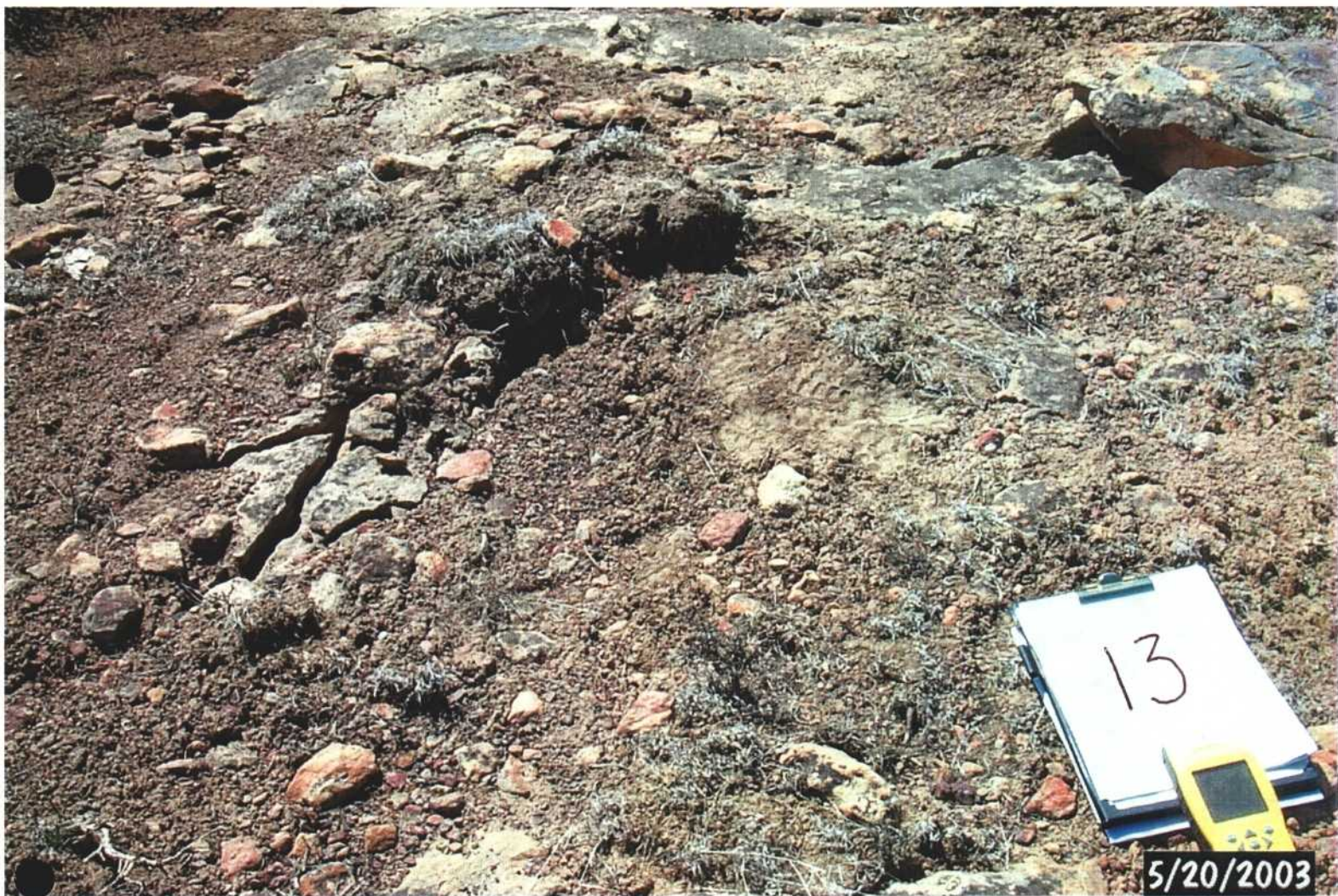
This feature is located just above the Little Mac Indian shelter.





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Mine Name: Sufco Date: 20 May 2003

Panel: piners bleeder Feature # 15

Is the feature shown on survey map? no

Subsidence Feature (circle one) - Crack Sinkhole Heave Escarpment Spalling

Elevation: 8697 feet Slope: ~30 degrees

Type of Ground (circle one) - Rock Soil

Vegetative Ground Cover (circle all that apply) - Grass Forbes (meadow, sparse cover), Shrubs (tall, low, medium), Trees (deciduous, evergreen)

**GPS**

Coordinates: N4313420m  
E470480m

Dimensions (in feet): This crack is 191 feet long, and up to 3 inches wide.

Potential Hazards? Not apparent.

Other Comments (seeps, stream channel, archeological, eagle nest) and

Recommendations (needs work, healing, leave alone, watch?):

This crack is located on the east flank of the Wildcat Knolls, and appears to be healing well.





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**Mine Name:** Sufco **Date:** 20 May 2003

**Panel:** piners bleeder **Feature #** 16

**Is the feature shown on survey map?** no

**Subsidence Feature** (circle one) - Crack Sinkhole Heave Escarpment Spalling

**Elevation:** 8712 feet **Slope:** ~15 degrees

**Type of Ground** (circle one) - Rock Soil

**Vegetative Ground Cover** (circle all that apply) - Grass Forbes (meadow, sparse cover), Shrubs (tall, low, medium), Trees (deciduous, evergreen)

**GPS**

**Coordinates:** N4313477m  
E470445m

**Dimensions (in feet):** This crack is 148 feet long, and up to 5 inches wide.

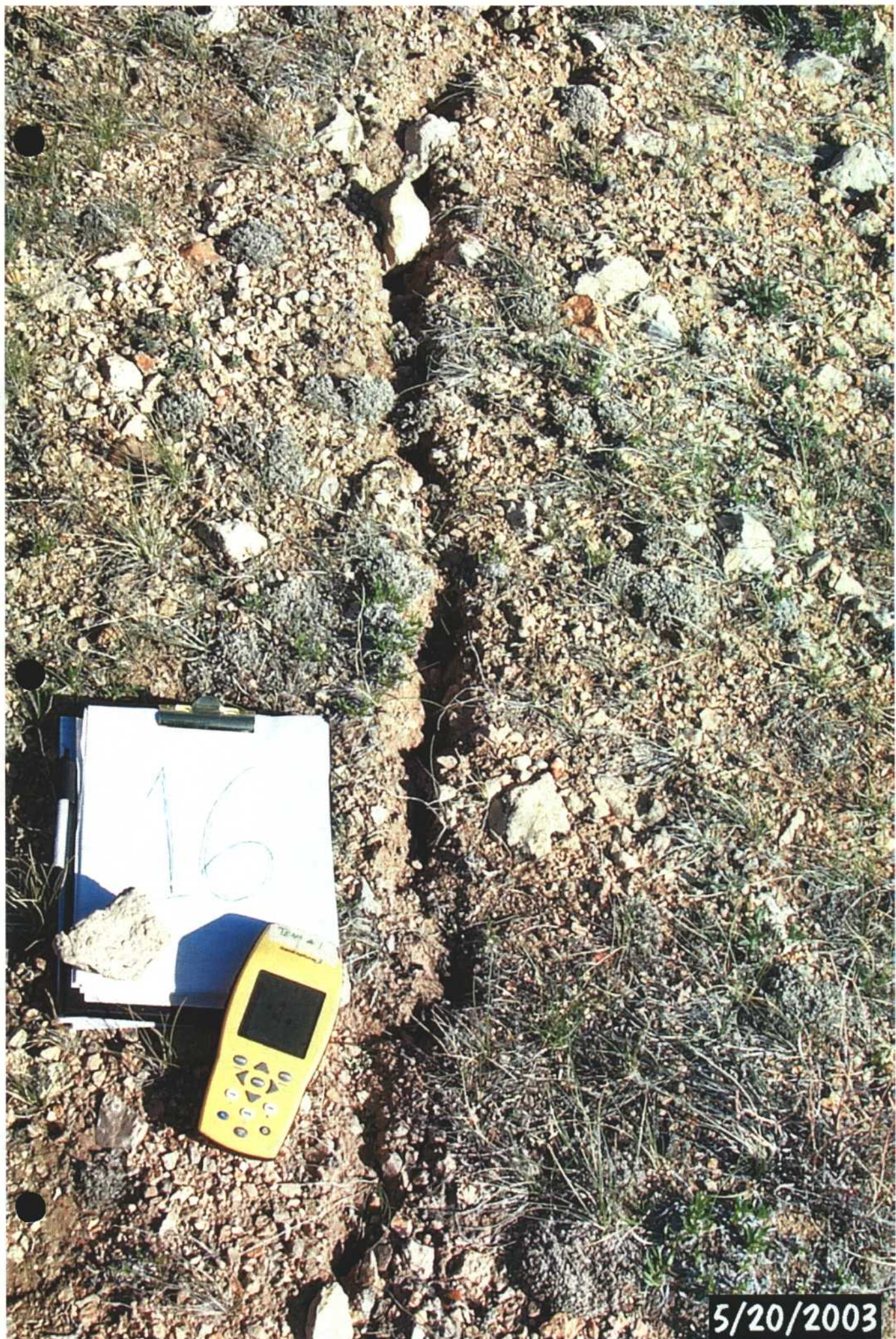
**Potential Hazards?** Not apparent.

**Other Comments** (seeps, stream channel, archeological, eagle nest) and

**Recommendations** (needs work, healing, leave alone, watch?):

This crack is located on the east flank of the Wildcat Knolls, and appears to be healing well, although I would watch this one to ensure that it doesn't get as large as feature #18, which lies adjacent.





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Mine Name: Sufco Date: 20 May 2003

Panel: piners bleeder Feature # 18

Is the feature shown on survey map? no

Subsidence Feature (circle one) - Crack Sinkhole Heave Escarpment Spalling

Elevation: 8675 feet (approx.) Slope: variable - flat to 60 degrees

Type of Ground (circle one) - Rock Soil

Vegetative Ground Cover (circle all that apply) - Grass Forbes (meadow, sparse cover), Shrubs (tall, low, medium), Trees (deciduous, evergreen)

**GPS**

Coordinates: N4313544m  
E470397m

Dimensions (in feet): This crack is 500 feet long. It is up to 2 feet wide in places, with as much as 11 inches of vertical offset. It appears quite deep in most places.

Potential Hazards? A potential threat to cattle, unwary hikers, and possibly to whatever burrowing animals that live in this area (see photos).

Other Comments (seeps, stream channel, archeological, eagle nest) and

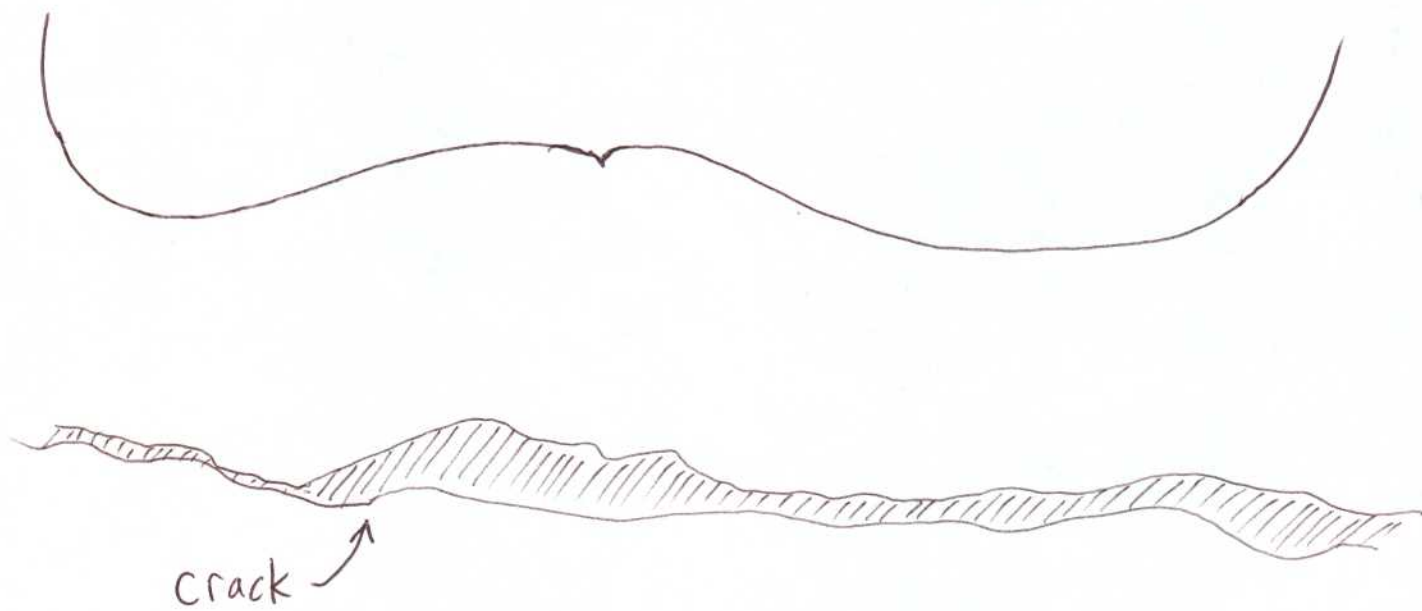
Recommendations (needs work, healing, leave alone, watch?):

This crack is healing slowly in places. I would recommend watching this one as it may need mitigation if it doesn't heal quickly or worsens.





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Mine Name: Sufco Date: 20 May 2003

Panel: piners bleeder Feature # 19

Is the feature shown on survey map? no

Subsidence Feature (circle one) - Crack Sinkhole Heave Escarpment Spalling

Elevation: 8479 feet Slope: none

Type of Ground (circle one) - Rock Soil

Vegetative Ground Cover (circle all that apply) - Grass Forbes (meadow, sparse cover), Shrubs (tall, low, medium), Trees (deciduous, evergreen)

**GPS**

Coordinates: N4314159m  
E470419m

Dimensions (in feet): This crack is 97 feet long. Width varies from 1 to 4 inches.

Potential Hazards? Not apparent.

Other Comments (seeps, stream channel, archeological, eagle nest) and  
Recommendations (needs work, healing, leave alone, watch?):

This crack is healing quite well.





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Mine Name: Sufco Date: 20 May 2003

Panel: piners bleeder Feature # 20

Is the feature shown on survey map? no

Subsidence Feature (circle one) - Crack Sinkhole Heave Escarpment Spalling

Elevation: 8435 feet Slope: none

Type of Ground (circle one) - Rock Soil

Vegetative Ground Cover (circle all that apply) - Grass/Forbes (meadow, sparse cover), Shrubs (tall, low, medium), Trees (deciduous, evergreen)

**GPS**

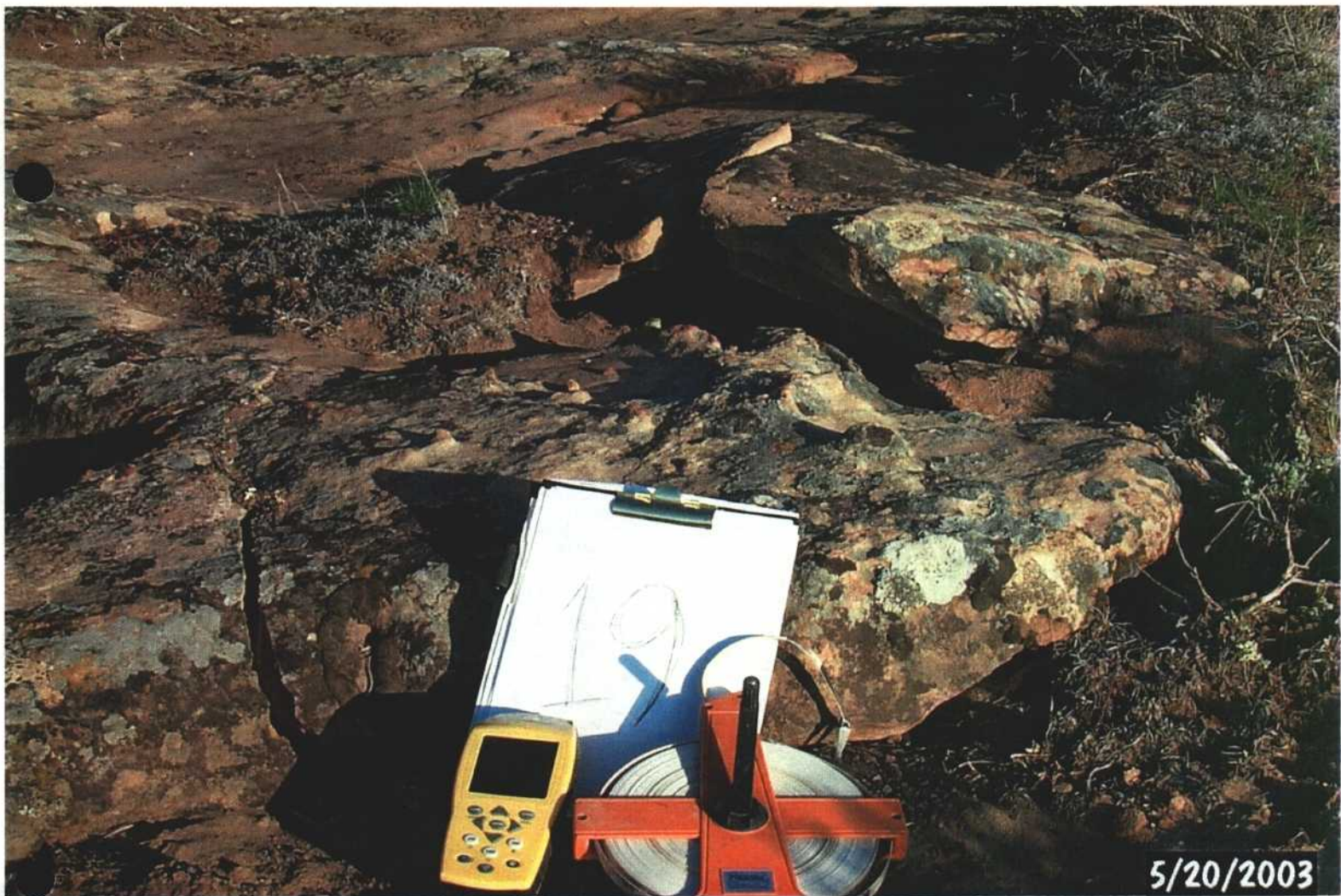
Coordinates: N4314548m  
E470608m

Dimensions (in feet): This heave is 5 feet in diameter.

Potential Hazards? Not apparent.

Other Comments (seeps, stream channel, archeological, eagle nest) and  
Recommendations (needs work, healing, leave alone, watch?):





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Mine Name: Sufco Date: 20 May 2003

Panel: piners bleeder Feature # 27, 28, 29, 30, 31

Is the feature shown on survey map? no

Subsidence Feature (circle one) - Crack Sinkhole Heave Escarpment Spalling

Elevation: 8415 feet Slope: none

Type of Ground (circle one) - Rock Soil

Vegetative Ground Cover (circle all that apply) - Grass Forbes (meadow, sparse cover), Shrubs (tall, low, medium), Trees (deciduous, evergreen)

**GPS**

Coordinates: N4315201m  
E470536m

Dimensions (in feet): This is a series of five parallel cracks all oriented the same way. Their lengths vary from between 40 and 90 feet long, and all are between 1 and 3 inches wide. They are spaced approximately 50 feet apart.

Potential Hazards? Not apparent.

**Other Comments** (seeps, stream channel, archeological, eagle nest) **and**  
**Recommendations** (needs work, healing, leave alone, watch?):  
All cracks are healing pretty well.





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**Mine Name:** Sufco **Mine Number** C/041/002

**Panel:** 13L4E (areas 10 & 11)

**Feature #'s:** 22, 23, 26, 32,

**Date of Mining:** January 1999 to August 2001

**Describe the mining that took place in this area (methods, multiple seams, )**

Gateroad development began in January 1999 in area 11; Longwall mining began in May 2000 through August 2001 (completing mining in both areas 10 and 11).

**Subsidence Survey (methods and dates, date of subsidence):**

The panels in areas 10 and 11 demonstrate a vertical displacement of up to 7 and 6 feet respectively. These measurements were recorded using current photogrammetric monitoring. These areas are considered "active" subsidence areas as displacement may still be occurring.

**Describe the amount and type of subsidence reported in the Annual Report (provide reference to year)**

Surface depressions and tension cracks are documented along entire length of panel, as reported in the 2001 Annual Report.

**Depth of Overburden (both seams):**

Between 900 and 1300 feet.

**Does any subsidence feature on this panel require mitigation? If so describe.**

Features 22 and 26 should be considered for mitigation as they are both quite sizeable, and have had about three years to heal with little success on their own.



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Mine Name: Sufco Date: 21 May 2003

Panel: 13L4E (area 11) Feature # 22

Is the feature shown on survey map? yes

Subsidence Feature (circle one) - Crack Sinkhole Heave Escarpment Spalling

Elevation: 8347 feet Slope: ~10 degrees

Type of Ground (circle one) - Rock Soil

Vegetative Ground Cover (circle all that apply) - Grass Forbes (meadow, sparse cover), Shrubs (tall, low medium), Trees (deciduous, evergreen)

**GPS**

Coordinates: N4315867m  
E470089m

Dimensions (in feet): This crack is 99 feet long, up to 5 feet wide, and up to four feet deep.

Potential Hazards? This crack cuts through a game trail, and may be a hazard to cattle.

Other Comments (seeps, stream channel, archeological, eagle nest) and

Recommendations (needs work) healing, leave alone, watch?):

Taking into consideration the crack's dimensions versus how long it has had to heal I would recommend possibly mitigating this one.



A photograph of a steep, eroded hillside. The hillside is composed of light-colored, sandy soil with visible horizontal erosion layers. Sparse vegetation, including small shrubs and grasses, is scattered across the slope. In the upper part of the image, a line of bare, thin trees stands against a dark background. In the foreground, a clipboard with a white sheet of paper is placed on the ground. The paper has the number '21' written on it in large, handwritten digits. The clipboard is positioned on the left side of the frame, near the base of the hill.

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Mine Name: Sufco Date: 21 May 2003

Panel: 13L4E (area 11) Feature # 23

Is the feature shown on survey map? yes

Subsidence Feature (circle one) - Crack Sinkhole Heave Escarpment Spalling

Elevation: 8373 feet Slope: none

Type of Ground (circle one) - Rock Soil

Vegetative Ground Cover (circle all that apply) - Grass/Forbes (meadow, sparse cover), Shrubs (tall, low, medium), Trees (deciduous, evergreen)

**GPS**

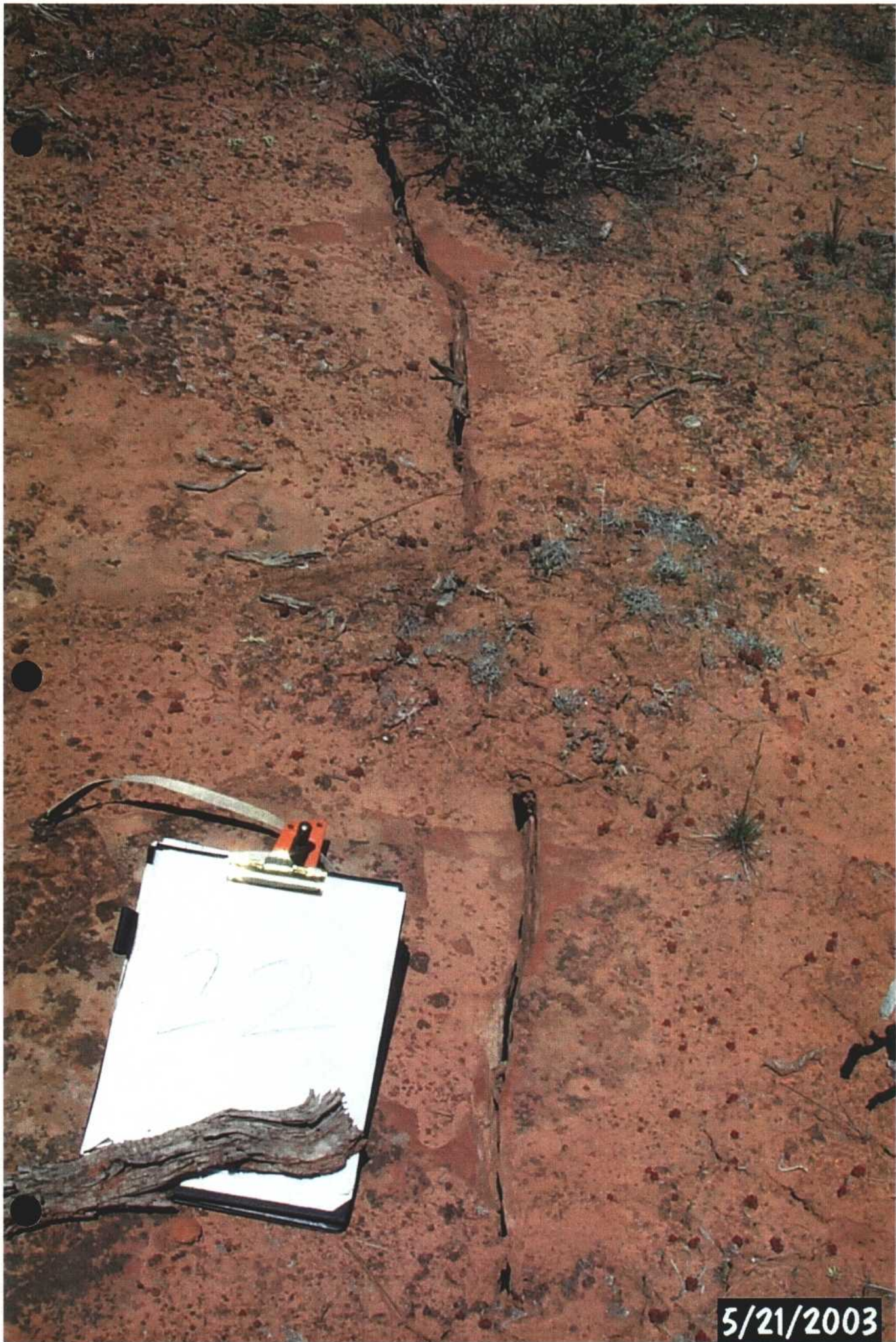
Coordinates: N4316022m  
E470035m

Dimensions (in feet): This crack is 12 feet long, up to 1 inch wide.

Potential Hazards? None

Other Comments (seeps, stream channel, archeological, eagle nest) and  
Recommendations (needs work, healing, leave alone, watch?):  
This crack is the largest of several cracks in this area that are  
healing well.





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Mine Name: Sufco Date: 21 May 2003

Panel: 13L4E (area 11) Feature # 26

Is the feature shown on survey map? yes

Subsidence Feature (circle one) - Crack Sinkhole Heave Escarpment Spalling

Elevation: 8405 feet Slope: none

Type of Ground (circle one) - Rock Soil

Vegetative Ground Cover (circle all that apply) - Grass Forbes (meadow, sparse cover), Shrubs (tall, low, medium), Trees (deciduous, evergreen)

**GPS**

Coordinates: N4316353m  
E470140m

**Dimensions (in feet):** This crack is 183 feet long, up to 11 inches wide, and appears quite deep.

**Potential Hazards?** This is a very deep crack visibly – it could swallow dirt for a long time and not heal. A potential hazard to cattle.

**Other Comments** (seeps, stream channel, archeological, eagle nest) and

**Recommendations** (needs work healing, leave alone, watch?):

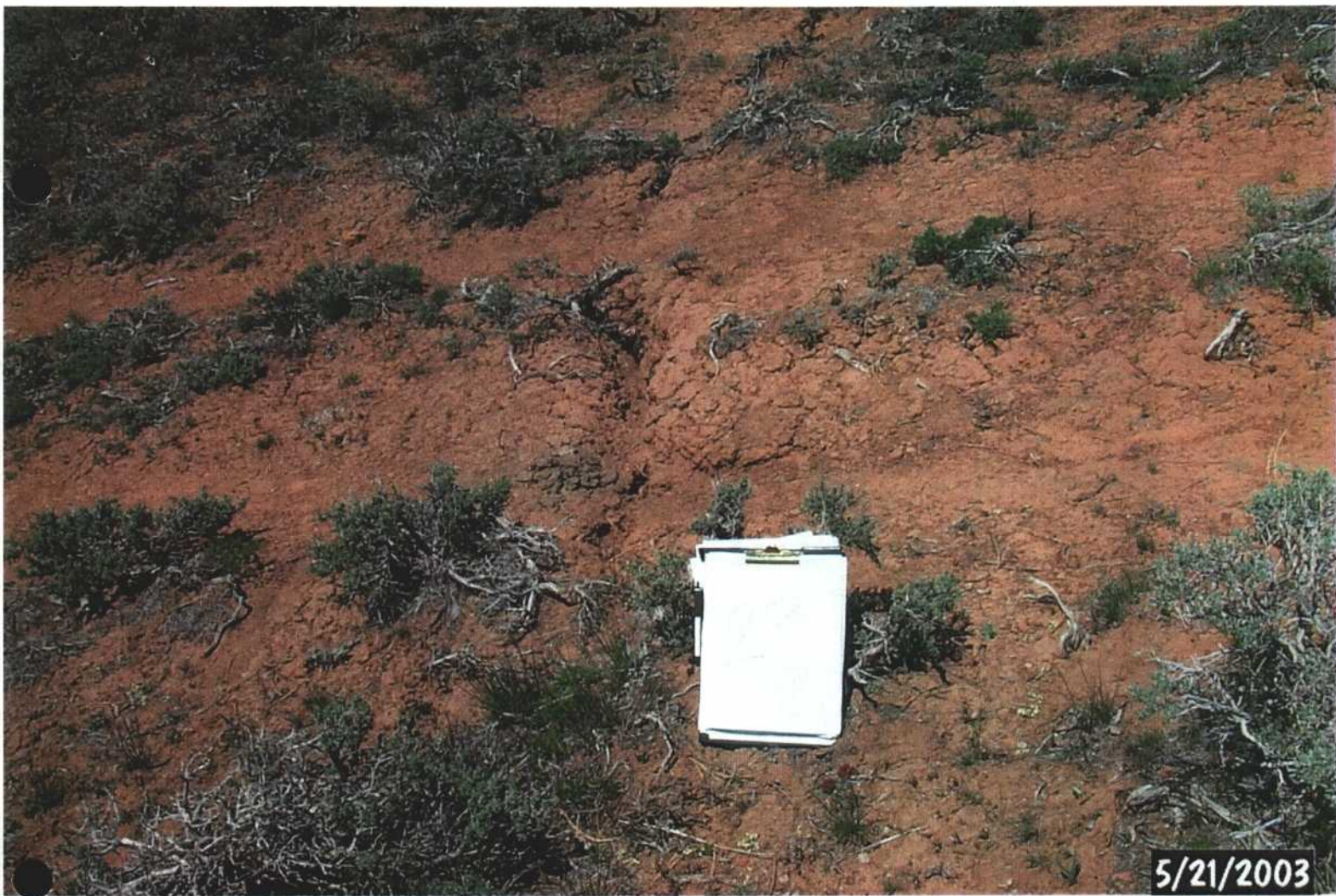
This crack runs through a dirt road. Taking into consideration the crack's dimensions versus how long it has had to heal I would recommend mitigating this one.





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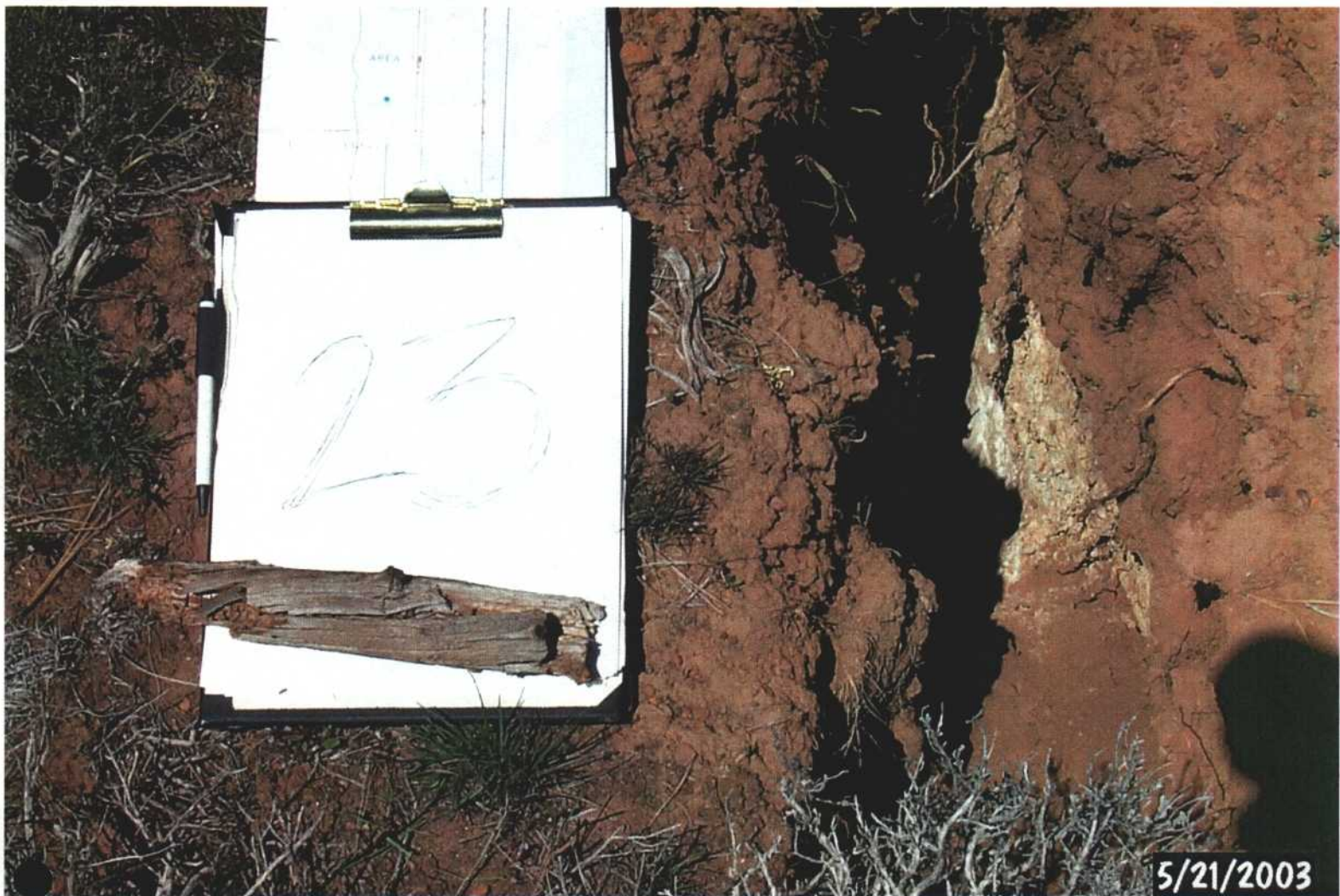
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crack is large enough to reveal underlying bedrock



**Subsidence Documentation Study  
Data Sheet**

Mine Name: Sufco Date: 21 May 2003

Panel: 13L4E (area 10) Feature # 32

Is the feature shown on survey map? yes

Subsidence Feature (circle one) - Crack Sinkhole Heave Escarpment Spalling

Elevation: 8619 feet Slope: negligible

Type of Ground (circle one) - Rock Soil

Vegetative Ground Cover (circle all that apply) - Grass Forbes (meadow, sparse cover), Shrubs (tall, low, medium), Trees (deciduous, evergreen)

**GPS**

Coordinates: N4312025m  
E469941m

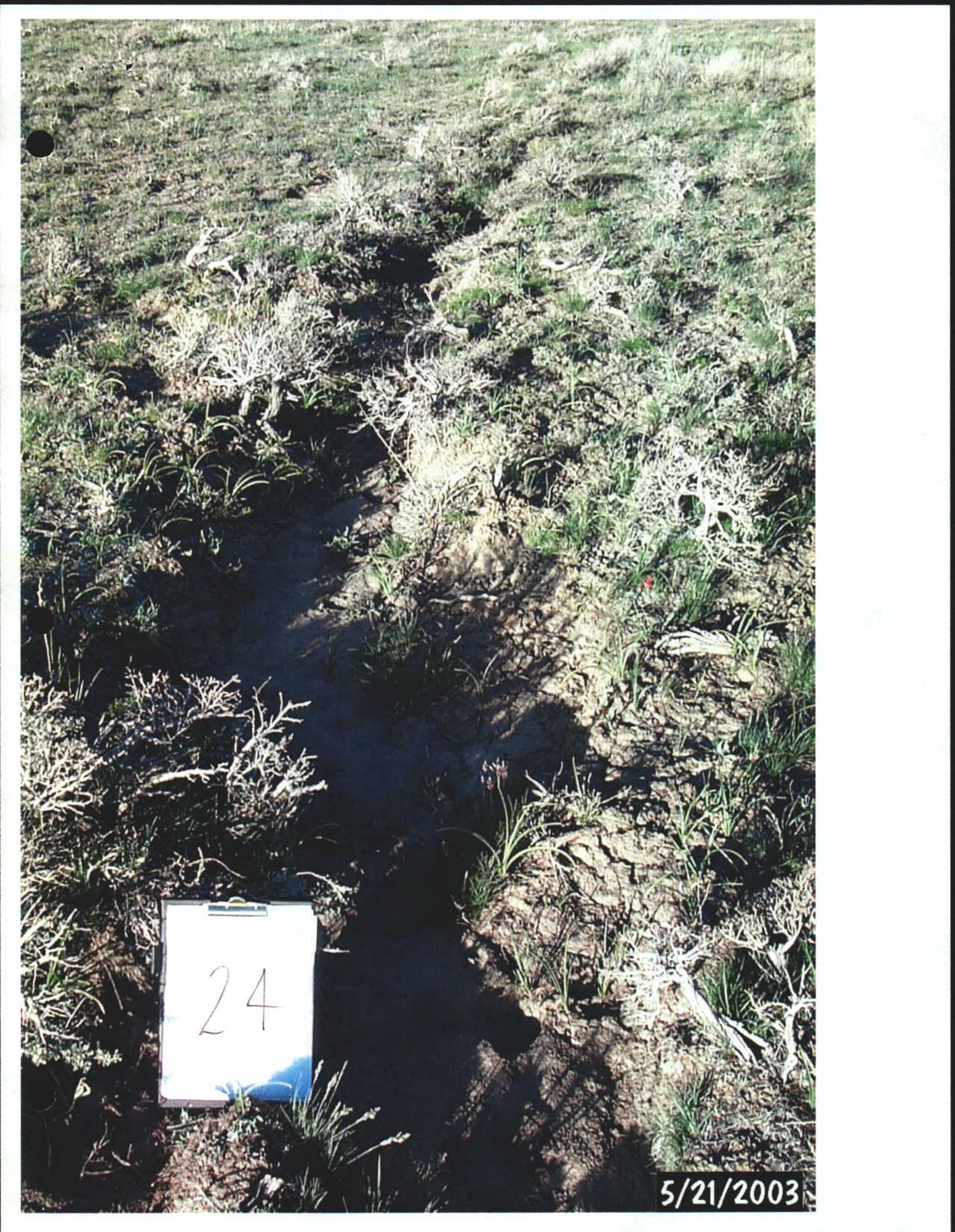
Dimensions (in feet): This crack is 159 feet long, and appears to have been a pretty wide crack when it was a crack (it is filled in now).

Potential Hazards? None.

**Other Comments** (seeps, stream channel, archeological, eagle nest) **and Recommendations** (needs work, healing, leave alone, watch?):

An example of a crack that has completely healed.



A photograph of a field site. In the lower-left foreground, a white clipboard with a silver clip at the top holds a piece of paper with the number '24' handwritten in black ink. The clipboard is placed on the ground, which is covered with sparse, low-lying vegetation. The vegetation consists of small green plants and clumps of dry, light-colored grass or shrubs. The ground appears to be a mix of soil and small rocks. In the bottom right corner, there is a black rectangular box containing the date '5/21/2003' in white text. The overall scene is a natural, outdoor environment, possibly a study area for ecological research.

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**Subsidence Documentation Study  
Summary Sheet**

**Mine Name:** Sufco **Mine Number** C/041/002

**Panel:** 6L4E

**Feature #'s:** 33

**Date of Mining:** January 1992 to June 1992

**Describe the mining that took place in this area (methods, multiple seams, )**  
Longwall mining

**Subsidence Survey (methods and dates, date of subsidence):**

This panel demonstrates a vertical displacement of up to 5 feet. These measurements were recorded using current photogrammetric monitoring. This area is considered an "active" subsidence area as displacement may still be occurring.

**Describe the amount and type of subsidence reported in the Annual Report (provide reference to year)**

Surface depressions are documented along entire length of panel, as reported in the 2001 Annual Report. Some tension cracks are reported as well as documented cliff spalling in the southwest corner of the panel.

**Depth of Overburden (both seams):**

Between 700 and 1000 feet.

**Does any subsidence feature on this panel require mitigation? If so describe.**

Feature 33 should definitely be considered for mitigation. The area wherein this feature lies was undercut eleven years ago, and has had little success in healing on its own. This feature demonstrates potential hazards to cattle and those intrepid enough to cross it in a vehicle.



**Subsidence Documentation Study  
Data Sheet**

Mine Name: Sufco Date: 21 May 2003

Panel: 6L4E (area 10) Feature # 33

Is the feature shown on survey map? no

Subsidence Feature (circle one) - Crack Sinkhole Heave Escarpment Spalling

Elevation: 8401 feet Slope: negligible

Type of Ground (circle one) - Rock Soil

Vegetative Ground Cover (circle all that apply) - Grass Forbes (meadow, sparse cover), Shrubs (tall, low medium), Trees (deciduous, evergreen)

**GPS**

Coordinates: N4313045m  
E467398m

**Dimensions (in feet):** This crack is 230 feet long, up to four feet wide, and appears very deep.

**Potential Hazards?** Possible hazards to cattle, hikers, summer interns, semis, etc. Cuts through a road, so it's possibly a hazard to anyone daring enough to drive over it (see photos).

**Other Comments** (seeps, stream channel, archeological, eagle nest) **and Recommendations** (needs work, healing, leave alone, watch?):

There is some healing along its length, however mining occurred here over ten years ago. I would recommend at least mitigating the part that runs through the road.





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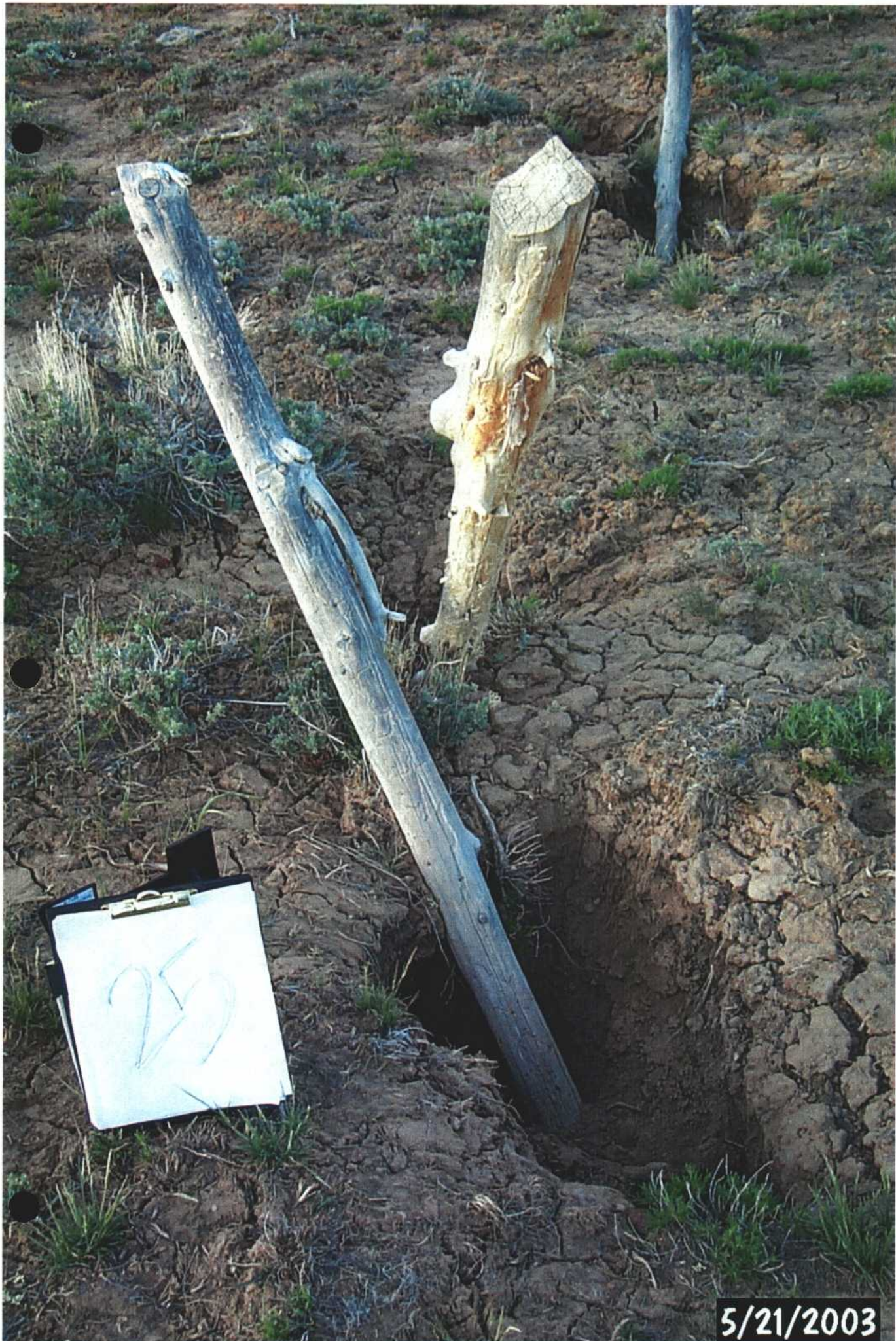






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**Subsidence Documentation Study  
Summary Sheet**

**Mine Name:** Sufco **Mine Number** C/041/002

**Panel:** 2L4E

**Feature #'s:** 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39

**Date of Mining:** Began in June 1983, and was sporadic to 1992

**Describe the mining that took place in this area (methods, multiple seams, )**  
Continuous miners were used with extraction ratios over 80% and mining heights of 10 feet.

**Subsidence Survey (methods and dates, date of subsidence):**  
This panel demonstrates a vertical displacement of up to 5 feet. These measurements were recorded using current photogrammetric monitoring. This area is considered a "dormant" subsidence area, as displacement is no longer occurring.

**Describe the amount and type of subsidence reported in the Annual Report (provide reference to year)**

Surface depressions are documented along entire length of panel, as reported in the 2001 Annual Report. One tension crack was reported and no cliff spalling was documented despite the fact that almost half of the panel extends out into Quitcupah Canyon.

**Depth of Overburden (both seams):**  
Between 600 and 1000 feet.

**Does any subsidence feature on this panel require mitigation? If so describe.**  
Features 35, 36, and 37 could possibly be candidates for mitigation. Mining occurred in this area between one and two decades ago, and yet these features are still quite sizeable. Even so, it is questionable whether these features are hazards to man or beast.



**Subsidence Documentation Study  
Data Sheet**

**Mine Name:** Sufco **Date:** 22 May 2003

**Panel:** 2L4E (area 8) **Feature #** 34

**Is the feature shown on survey map?** no

**Subsidence Feature** (circle one) - Crack Sinkhole Heave Escarpment Spalling

**Elevation:** 8305 feet **Slope:** negligible

**Type of Ground** (circle one) - Rock Soil

**Vegetative Ground Cover** (circle all that apply) - Grass/Forbes (meadow, sparse cover), Shrubs (tall, low, medium), Trees (deciduous, evergreen)

**GPS**

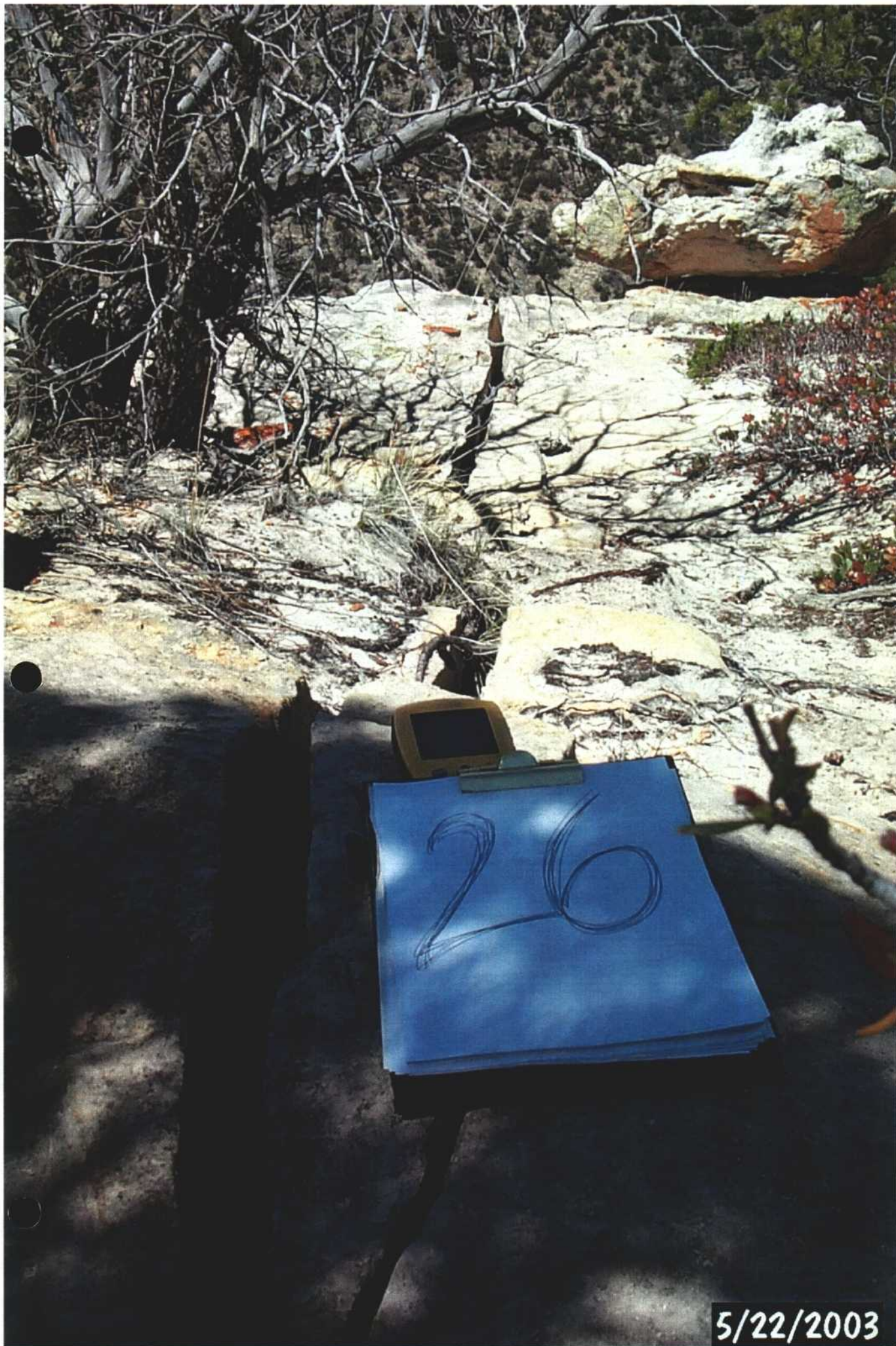
**Coordinates:** N4312922m  
E466551m

**Dimensions (in feet):** This crack is 28 feet long, and up to four inches wide.

**Potential Hazards?** none.

**Other Comments** (seeps, stream channel, archeological, eagle nest) **and**  
**Recommendations** (needs work, healing, leave alone, watch?):





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**Subsidence Documentation Study  
Data Sheet**

Mine Name: Sufco Date: 22 May 2003

Panel: 2L4E (area 8) Feature # 35, 36, 37

Is the feature shown on survey map? no

Subsidence Feature (circle one) - Crack (Sinkhole) Heave Escarpment Spalling

Elevation: 8294 feet Slope: negligible

Type of Ground (circle one) - Rock (Soil)

Vegetative Ground Cover (circle all that apply) - (Grass) Forbes (meadow, sparse cover), Shrubs (tall, low, medium), Trees (deciduous, evergreen)

**GPS**

Coordinates: N4312969m  
E466617m

Dimensions (in feet): This is a series of sinkholes all in a row which suggests that this may have been a crack at one time but has not fully healed. The sinkholes all average about 30 inches in diameter, spaced about 2 feet apart.

Potential Hazards? In this case it is difficult to justify mitigation because the area doesn't appear to be frequented by cattle, and it is quite remote and away from any roads. Notwithstanding, the holes are quite deep.

**Other Comments** (seeps, stream channel, archeological, eagle nest) and **Recommendations** (needs work, healing, leave alone, (watch?)):

These sinkholes occur on the crest of a ravine, which unlike a stream channel does not receive a steady stream of sediment flowing across its length. Under these conditions, it could be a very long time before these sinkholes fill up completely.









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**Subsidence Documentation Study  
Data Sheet**

Mine Name: Sufco Date: 22 May 2003

Panel: 2L4E (area 8) Feature # 38

Is the feature shown on survey map? no

Subsidence Feature (circle one) - Crack Sinkhole Heave Escarpment Spalling

Elevation: 8308 feet Slope: negligible

Type of Ground (circle one) - Rock Soil

Vegetative Ground Cover (circle all that apply) - Grass/Forbes (meadow, sparse cover), Shrubs (tall, low, medium), Trees (deciduous, evergreen)

**GPS**

Coordinates: N4313001m  
E466658m

Dimensions (in feet): This is a fifty foot section of cliff spalling.

Potential Hazards? None.

**Other Comments** (seeps, stream channel, archeological, eagle nest) **and Recommendations** (needs work, healing, leave alone watch?):

A large Ponderosa Pine was growing up through cracks in the cliff face.  
When spalling occurred, the rocks supporting the tree's roots broke loose, and the tree fell.

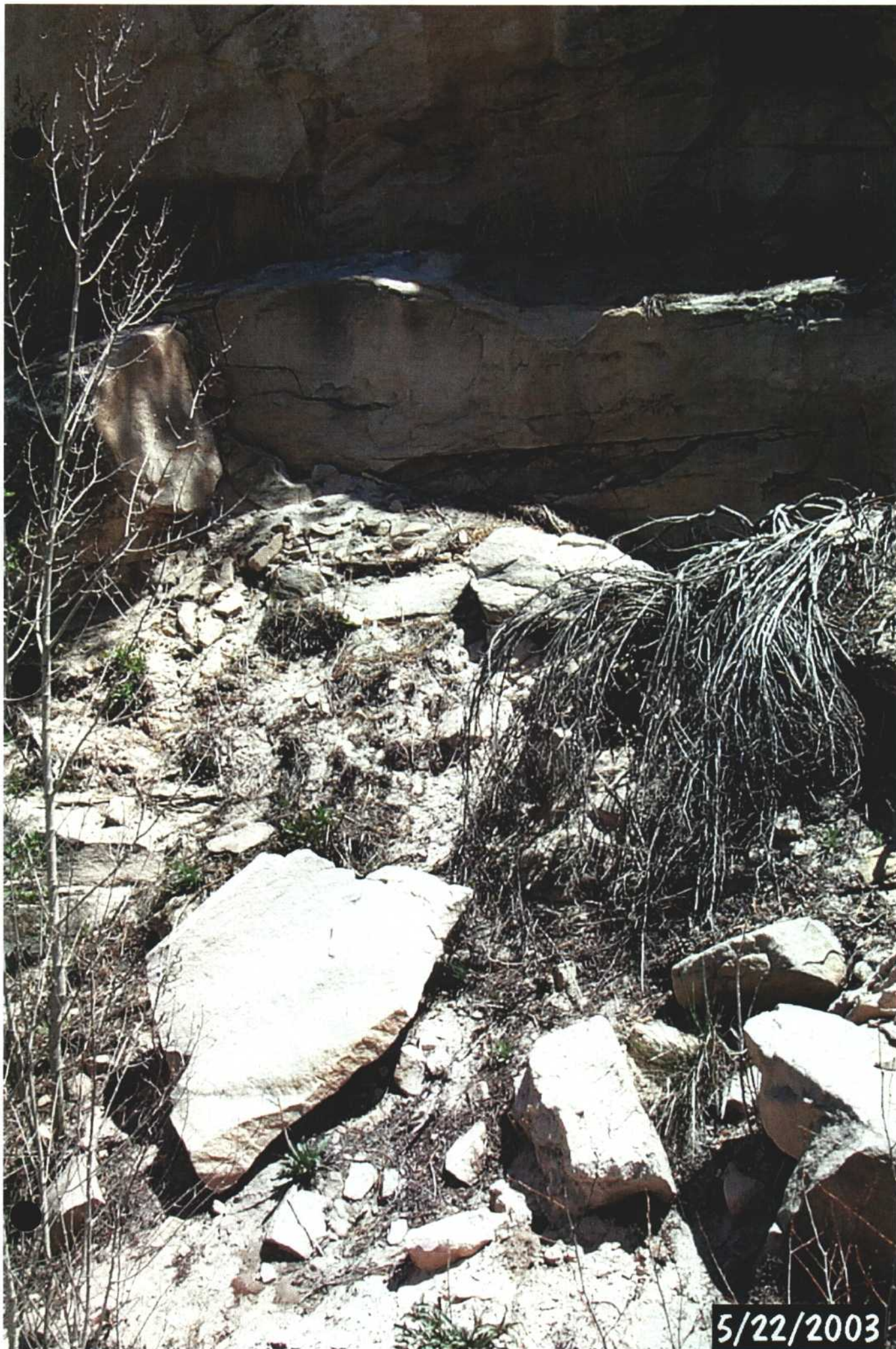












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**Subsidence Documentation Study  
Data Sheet**

Mine Name: Sufco Date: 22 May 2003

Panel: 2L4E (area 8) Feature # 39

Is the feature shown on survey map? no

Subsidence Feature (circle one) - Crack Sinkhole Heave Escarpment Spalling

Elevation: 8287 feet Slope: negligible

Type of Ground (circle one) - Rock Soil

Vegetative Ground Cover (circle all that apply) - Grass/Forbes (meadow, sparse cover), Shrubs (tall, low, medium), Trees (deciduous, evergreen)

**GPS**

Coordinates: N4313061m  
E466626m

Dimensions (in feet): Approximately an eighty foot crack in the cliff face, with  
minor spalling.

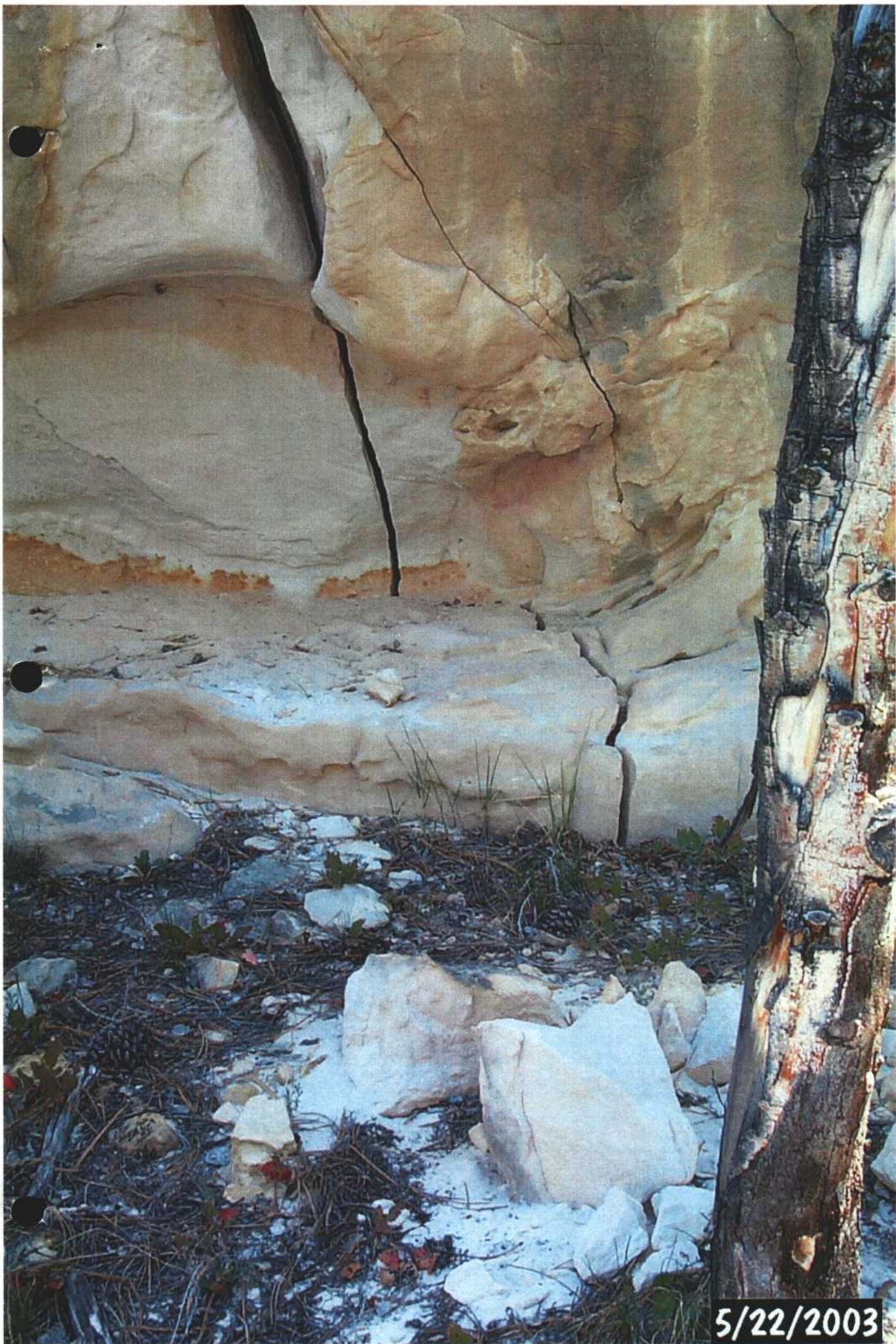
Potential Hazards? None.

Other Comments (seeps, stream channel, archeological, eagle nest) and  
Recommendations (needs work, healing, leave alone watch?):







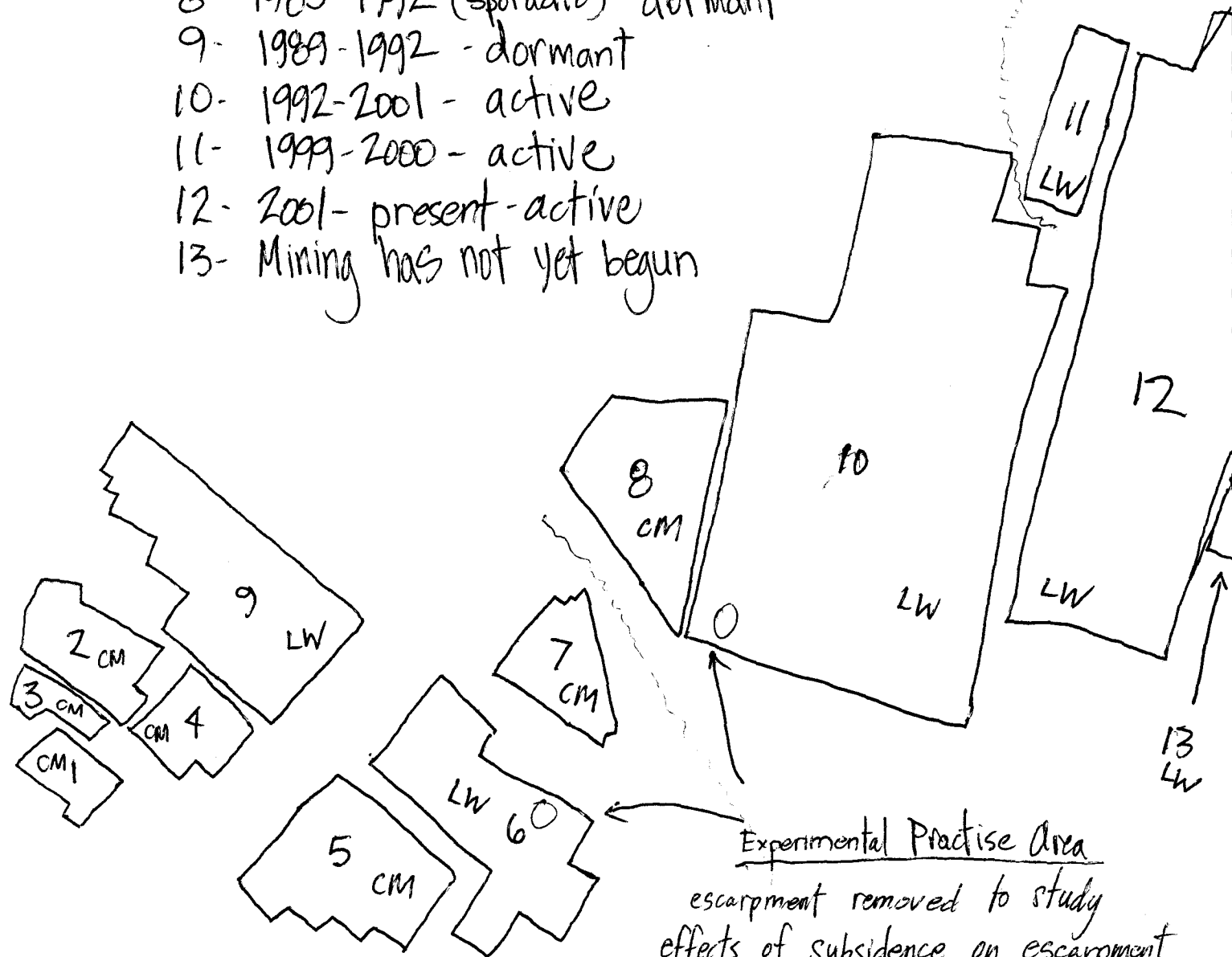




Dates- Subsidence Status

- 1- 1976-1979 dormant
- 2- 1980- ~~1981~~ 1984 dormant
- 3- 1980-1983 dormant
- 4- 1980-1985 dormant
- 5- 1978-1981 dormant
- 6- 1985-1990 dormant
- 7- flooded in 1984 - planned as "No subsidence zone" - dormant
- 8- 1983-1992 (sporadic) - dormant
- 9- 1989-1992 - dormant
- 10- 1992-2001 - active
- 11- 1999-2000 - active
- 12- 2001- present - active
- 13- Mining has not yet begun

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Some cliff spalling occurred in panel 6 in 1988 above 3 room & pillar panels  
 cliff spalling & tension cracks occurred in panel 10 above longwall panel



Canyon Fuel – SUFCO Mine 2002 subsidence impacts from undermining cultural sites 42SV2434 Little Mac and 42SV2433 Big Mac located in the center of Longwall panel 1LPE.

#### **42SV2434 Little Mac**

This site was undermined on 3/26/02. This cultural site had numerous natural rock failures before it was undermined (Fig. 1 & 3). Subsidence impacts were about what was anticipated when the monitoring program was initially set up. Subsidence impact resulted in the overhanging rock on the right side, that already had a large crack on the backside, breaking loose and falling in. The overhanging rock on the left side rolled into the opening (Fig. 2 & 4). The overhang on the left side could have already been cracked similar to the right side since it broke across on the same crack line. How much the site has subsided is not know yet. The subsidence will be measured over the next few weeks.



Figure 1 Before-May 6, 2000



Figure 2 After-April 23, 2002



Figure 3 Before-May 6, 2000



Figure 4 After-April 23, 2002



### **42SV2433 Big Mac**

This site was undermined on 3/22/02. Subsidence impacts were not what was anticipated when the monitoring program was initially set up. The overhanging rock had some natural small cracks but was not broken up as much as some of the other sites and it was felt that this site would probably not be impacted by subsidence (Fig. 5 & 7). Subsidence impact resulted in the roof rock cracking in the center of the site and breaking off on the right side (Fig. 6 & 8). This is similar to what happen at the 42SV2492 150-Acre site in 2000 but not as severe. This site has not been surveyed since it subsided to determine how much the site has subsided.



Figure 5 Before-May 6, 2000



Figure 6 After-April 23, 2002



Figure 7 Before-May 6, 2000



Figure 8 After-April 23, 2002



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